



Here in Nebraska it can get cold, really cold. If you venture out in the cold then you need to dress appropriately. □ **Some terms to know:** Wind Chill: What happens to the body when it is cold and windy outside. As the wind increases heat is carried away from the body at a faster rate, driving down skin and body temperature. Warning and advisories for wind chill are set locally. As a general rule the threshold for dangerous wind-chill conditions is about -20 °F. Wi

nd Chill Advisory/Warning:

Issued by the National Weather Service when the wind chill could be life threatening if action is not taken. (Criteria varies from State to State)

Winter Weather Advisory:

Issued by the National Weather Service when a low pressure system produces a combination of winter weather (snow, freezing rain, sleet etc) that presents a hazard but does not meet warning criteria.

Winter Storm Watch:

Issued by the National Weather Service when there is a potential for heavy snow or significant ice accumulations, usually 24-36 hours in advance. (Criteria varies from place to place)

Winter Storm Warning:

Issued by the National Weather Service when a winter storm is producing or is forecast to

produce heavy snow or significant ice accumulations. (Criteria varies from place to place)

### Ice Storm Warning:

Issued by the National Weather Service when freezing rain produces a significant and possibly damaging accumulation of ice. Typically issued when accumulation of 1/4" or more is expected.

### Snow Advisory:

Issued by the National Weather Service when snow could cause significant inconvenience but does not meet warning criteria. (Criteria varies from place to place)

### Blizzard Warning:

Issued for winter storms with sustained or frequent winds of 35 mph or higher with falling or blowing snow reducing visibility to 1/4 mile or less for a minimum of 3 hours. Very dangerous conditions to be walking or driving.

(Source: NOAA)

